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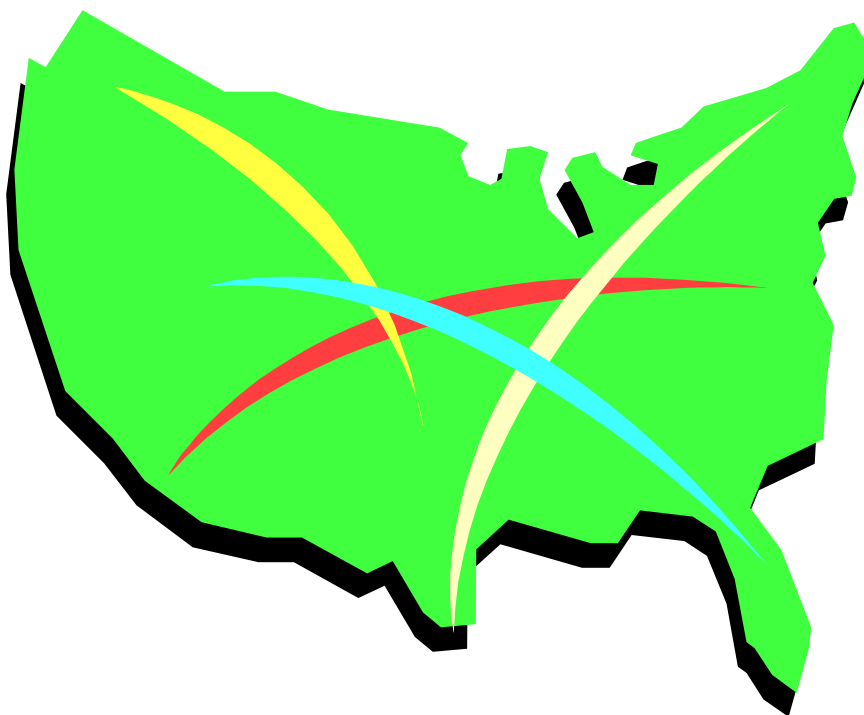
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Food Stamp Program (FSP) statutes and regulations provide State agencies with numerous policy options. State agencies use this flexibility to improve how the program works in meeting the nutritional needs of low-income people across the nation. Choosing certain options can facilitate program design goals such as removing or reducing barriers to access and sustained participation for low-income families and individuals, providing better support for those working or looking for work, targeting benefits to those most in need, streamlining administration and field operations, and coordinating FSP activities with those of other programs. With passage of the *Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002*, the array of policy options was significantly expanded in several key areas. Consequently, this second edition of the *State Options Report* profiles a total of 29 different options and waivers, six more than the first edition from April 2002.

The earliest effective date by which interested State agencies could implement the additional options from the Farm Bill was October 2002. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) intermittently surveys State agencies administering the Food Stamp Program to determine which policy options are in use. Information about State agency choices among policy options is subject to frequent change. This report catalogs choices in effect as of February 2003. Several States have plans to implement various options at later dates. Those choices will be reflected in future editions of this report.

The first section of the report describes the options and lists the States that have selected each of them. The new options presented here from the Farm Bill are denoted with the Farm Bill logo. Information is shown in tabular and map formats. Due to limitations of the mapping program used, Guam and the Virgin Islands are not included in the geographical displays. See the map legends for information on these territories. The second section lists the States in alphabetical order and shows the status of each State agency in relation to each policy option. Please contact Deborah Slater (703-305-2766) or John Knaus (703-305-2098) with questions, corrections, or suggestions about this edition of the *State Options Report*.

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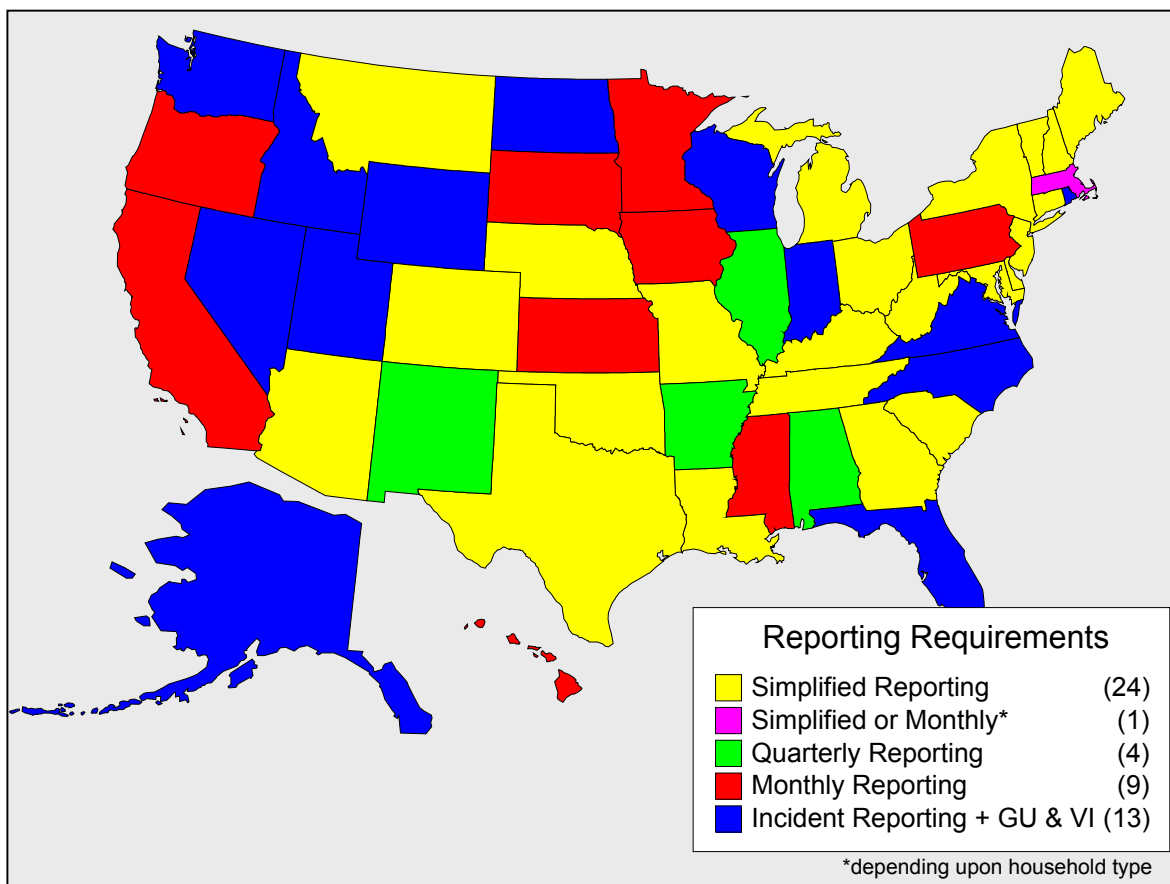
# **SECTION ONE:**

## **OPTION PROFILES**

## Reporting Requirements

State agencies have the option of requiring food stamp recipients to report on their financial circumstances at various intervals and in various ways. They can institute a type of periodic reporting system or they can rely on households to report changes within 10 days of occurrence—known as “incident reporting.” The table below shows States that have chosen periodic reporting. Participants report either quarterly or monthly--or under a “simplified” system with reduced reporting requirements. Under the simplified reporting option, households are required to report changes in income between certification and scheduled reporting periods only when total countable income rises above 130 percent of the poverty level. States implementing simplified reporting can set reporting intervals or certification periods at four, five, or six months.

Simplified (Reduced) Reporting			Quarterly Reporting	Monthly Reporting
25			4	10
ARIZONA COLORADO CONNECTICUT DELAWARE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GEORGIA KENTUCKY LOUISIANA MAINE	MARYLAND MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN MISSOURI MONTANA NEBRASKA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW JERSEY	NEW YORK OHIO OKLAHOMA SOUTH CAROLINA TENNESSEE TEXAS VERMONT WEST VIRGINIA	ALABAMA ARKANSAS ILLINOIS NEW MEXICO	CALIFORNIA HAWAII IOWA KANSAS MASSACHUSETTS MINNESOTA MISSISSIPPI OREGON PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH DAKOTA
NOTE: The reporting method(s) selected may be applied to only some of the household types in the State eligible to report periodically.				

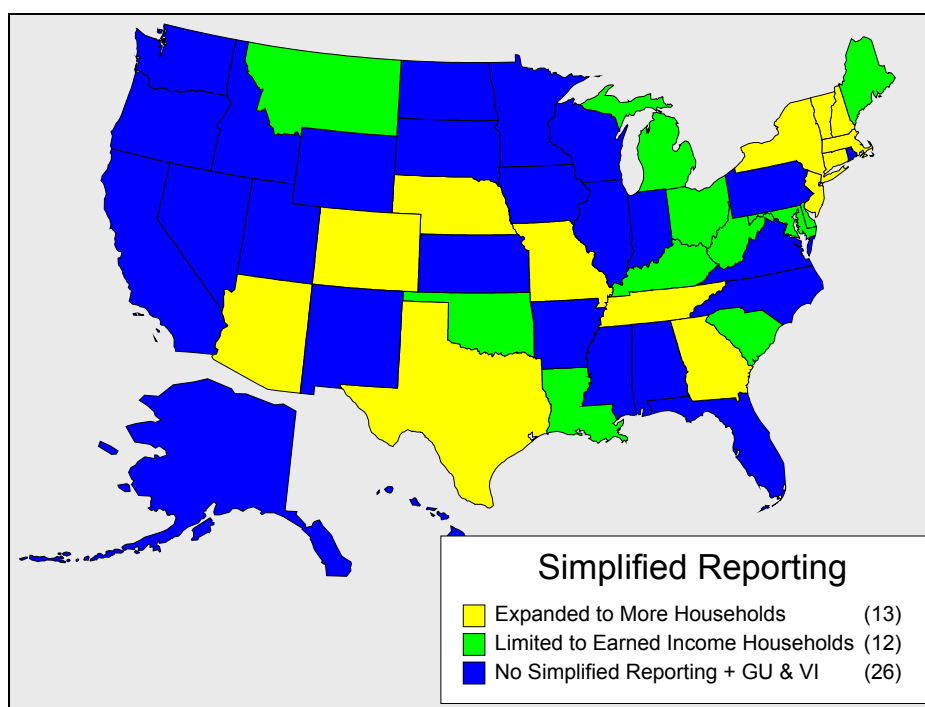




## Simplified Reporting Expansion

Prior to passage of the Farm Bill, the FSP contained the option to use a reporting system with reduced reporting requirements for earned income households on a semi-annual schedule. With passage of the Farm Bill's Simplified Reporting option, States can expand their reporting systems for earned income households to any and all households that can be asked to report periodically. Of the 25 States currently using Simplified Reporting, 13 have expanded it beyond earned income households. In between certification and scheduled reporting periods, a household's monthly benefit amount is not decreased as long as total income is less than 130 percent of the poverty level. States can request a waiver that will allow them to reduce benefits on the basis of change information affecting eligibility and benefit levels in other programs. This waiver has been given to 15 of the 25 States with Simplified Reporting systems.

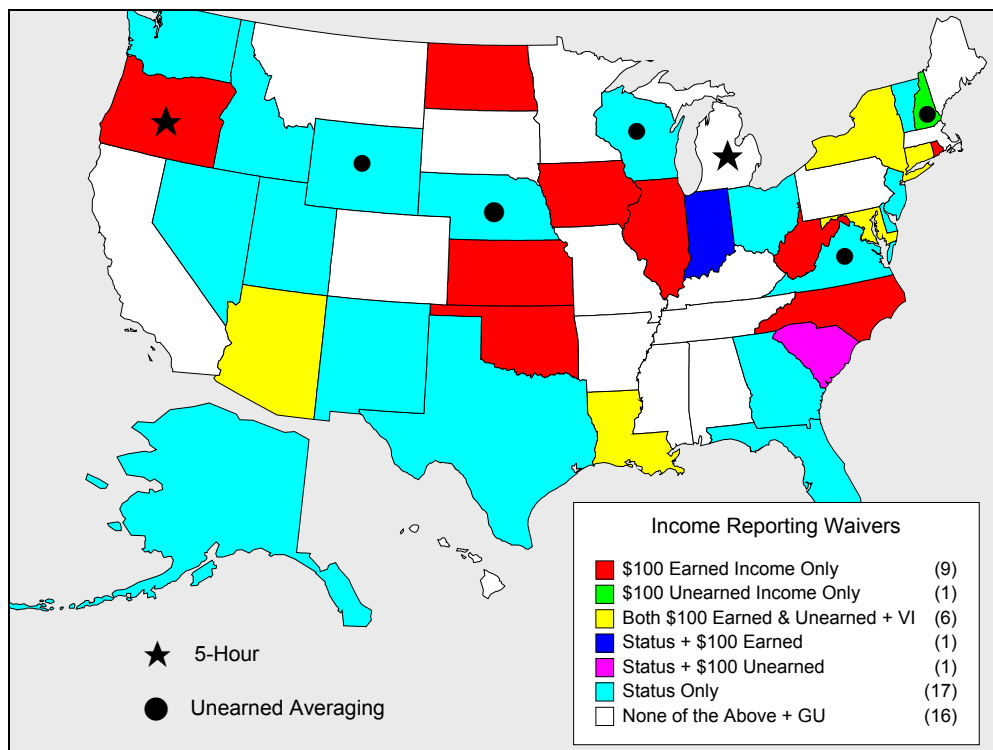
Expanded Simplified Reporting	Simplified Reporting -- Earned Income Households Only
13	12
ARIZONA COLORADO <b>CONNECTICUT*</b> <b>GEORGIA*</b> <b>MASSACHUSETTS*</b> MISSOURI <b>NEBRASKA*</b> <b>NEW HAMPSHIRE*</b> <b>NEW JERSEY*</b> NEW YORK <b>TENNESSEE*</b> TEXAS <b>VERMONT*</b>	<b>DELAWARE*</b> <b>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA*</b> <b>KENTUCKY*</b> LOUISIANA MAINE <b>MARYLAND*</b> <b>MICHIGAN*</b> MONTANA <b>OHIO*</b> OKLAHOMA SOUTH CAROLINA <b>WEST VIRGINIA*</b>
*Waiver to Act on All Changes	



## Change Reporting Waivers

States can request waivers from incident or change reporting rules to lessen the reporting burden on households and the workload of field staff. Common earned income waivers involve requiring households to report only when a member changes jobs, receives a different rate of pay, or has a change in his or her work status, i.e., from full time to part time or vice versa. Other waivers State agencies have received require households to report only when there is a change of five or more hours per week in the work schedule or when there is a change in earnings of \$100 or more per month. Waivers are also granted to help States deal efficiently with unearned income. One such waiver allows households to report only when there has been a change in unearned income from private sources of \$100 or more per month. Another allows agencies to average unearned income from private sources, for example alimony or child support, over a 12-month period. Use of reporting waivers is expected to decrease as more State agencies take full advantage of simplified reporting; however, the total number of waivers in effect has actually increased by three since the last report.

\$100 Earned		\$100 Unearned	Both \$100 Earned & \$100 Unearned	Status	
10		2	7	19	
ILLINOIS INDIANA IOWA KANSAS NORTH CAROLINA	NORTH DAKOTA OKLAHOMA OREGON RHODE ISLAND WEST VIRGINIA	NEW HAMPSHIRE SOUTH CAROLINA	ARIZONA CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LOUISIANA MARYLAND NEW YORK VIRGIN ISLANDS	ALASKA DELAWARE FLORIDA GEORGIA IDAHO INDIANA NEBRASKA NEVADA NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO	OHIO SOUTH CAROLINA TEXAS UTAH VERMONT VIRGINIA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN WYOMING

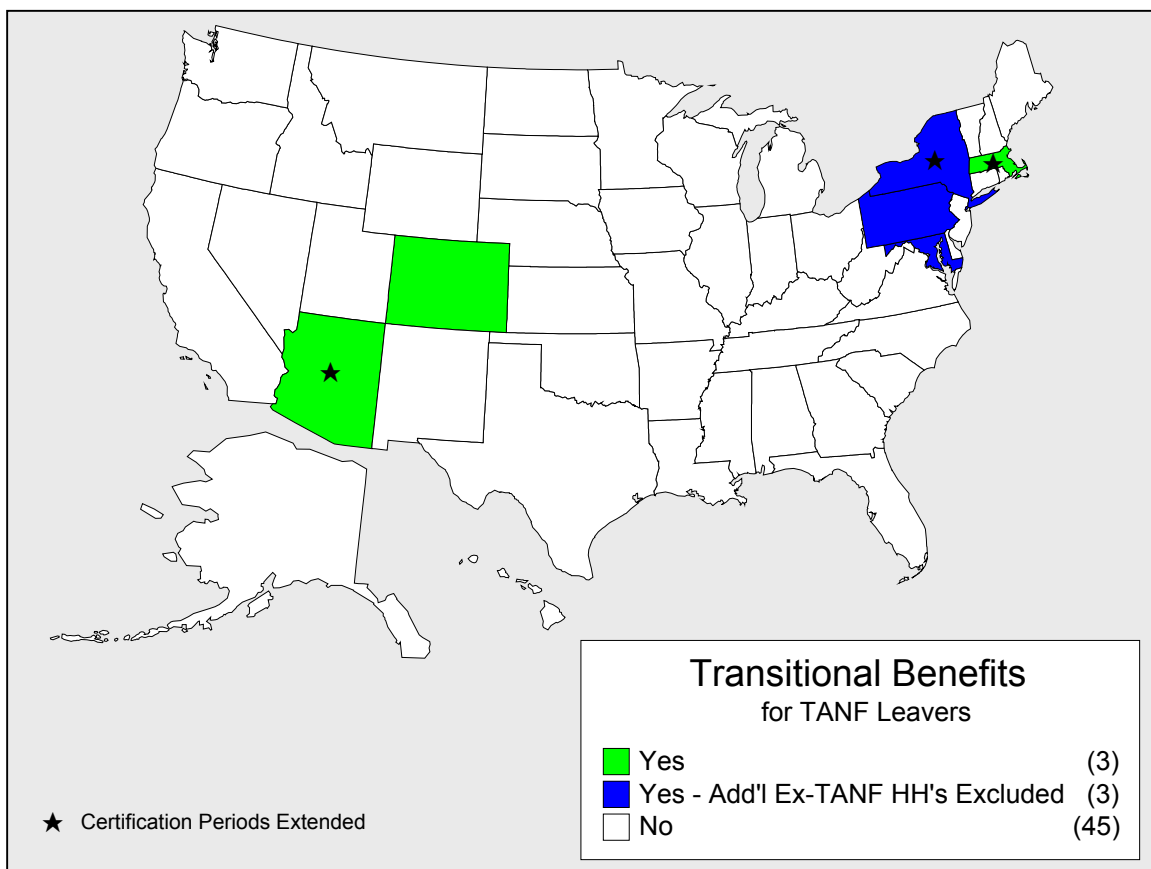




## Transitional Benefits

This is an option available to States to help support families as they move off Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance. Benefits can be continued for up to five months in an amount equal to the amount received by the household prior to TANF termination with adjustments for loss of TANF income. Certification periods can be extended through the last transitional month. Only one State, New York, had been offering the pre-Farm Bill version of Transitional Benefits to families coming off of welfare. Now five other States have chosen to provide this work support. All six States have elected to issue benefits to welfare leavers for the full five months allowed in the legislation. Four have indicated they will extend certification periods to complete the transition. Half have designated more types of TANF households that cannot be included in addition to the types excluded from participation by law.

Transitional Benefits	Certification Extension	Additional Households Excluded
6	4	3
ARIZONA COLORADO MARYLAND MASSACHUSETTS NEW YORK PENNSYLVANIA	ARIZONA COLORADO MASSACHUSETTS NEW YORK	MARYLAND NEW YORK PENNSYLVANIA



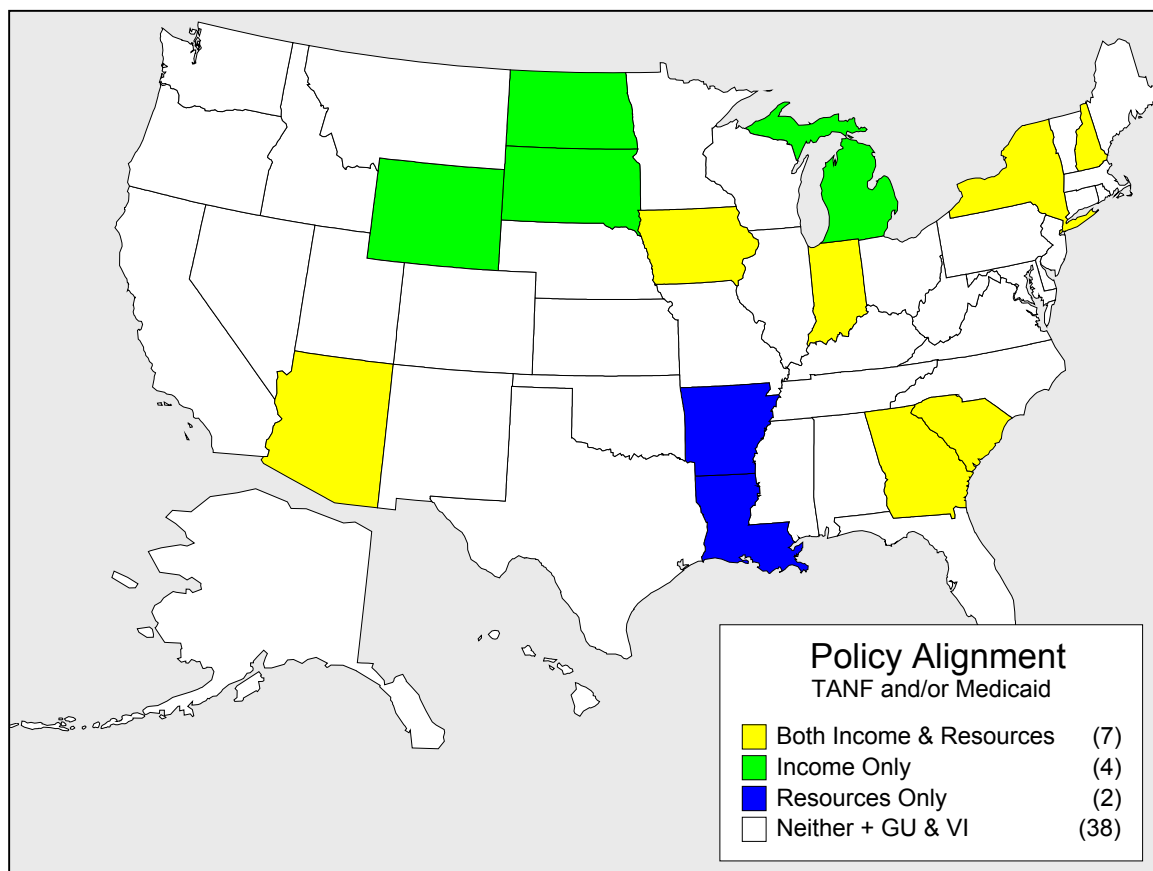




## Simplified Definitions of Income and Resources

State agencies now have the option to exclude additional types of income and resources by aligning food stamp policy with TANF or Medicaid policy. Any income not counted under Section 1931 of Medicaid or TANF can be excluded with some exceptions. The exceptions are wages, salaries, benefits from major assistance programs, regular payments from a government source, worker's compensation, child support payments, and other types determined countable to insure fairness in eligibility determinations. The same option exists for the treatment of resources. The ones that cannot be excluded when using this particular option are cash, licensed vehicles, and readily available amounts in financial institutions--plus anything determined essential to count by FNS for basic fairness.

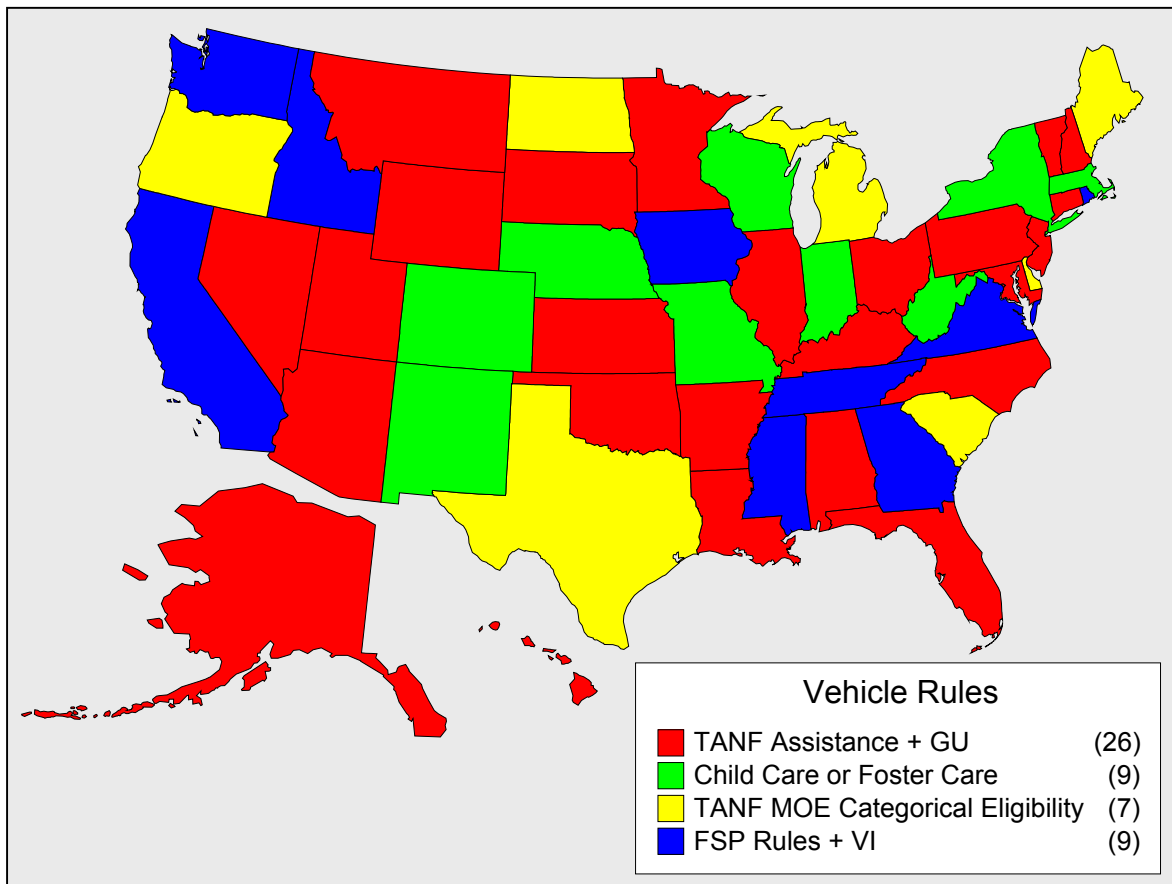
Simplified Definition of Income	Simplified Definition of Resources	Both
4	2	7
MICHIGAN NORTH DAKOTA WYOMING SOUTH DAKOTA	ARKANSAS LOUISIANA	ARIZONA GEORGIA INDIANA IOWA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW YORK SOUTH CAROLINA



## Vehicle Policy

States have the option of substituting the vehicle rules used in their TANF assistance programs for FSP vehicle rules when it results in a lower attribution of household assets. Some States provide non-cash benefit or service funded with TANF or TANF Maintenance of Effort (MOE) money to confer categorical eligibility upon a larger number of households as long as gross income does not exceed 200% of poverty. Forty-three States are currently using more generous vehicle rules, compared to 40 in April 2002.

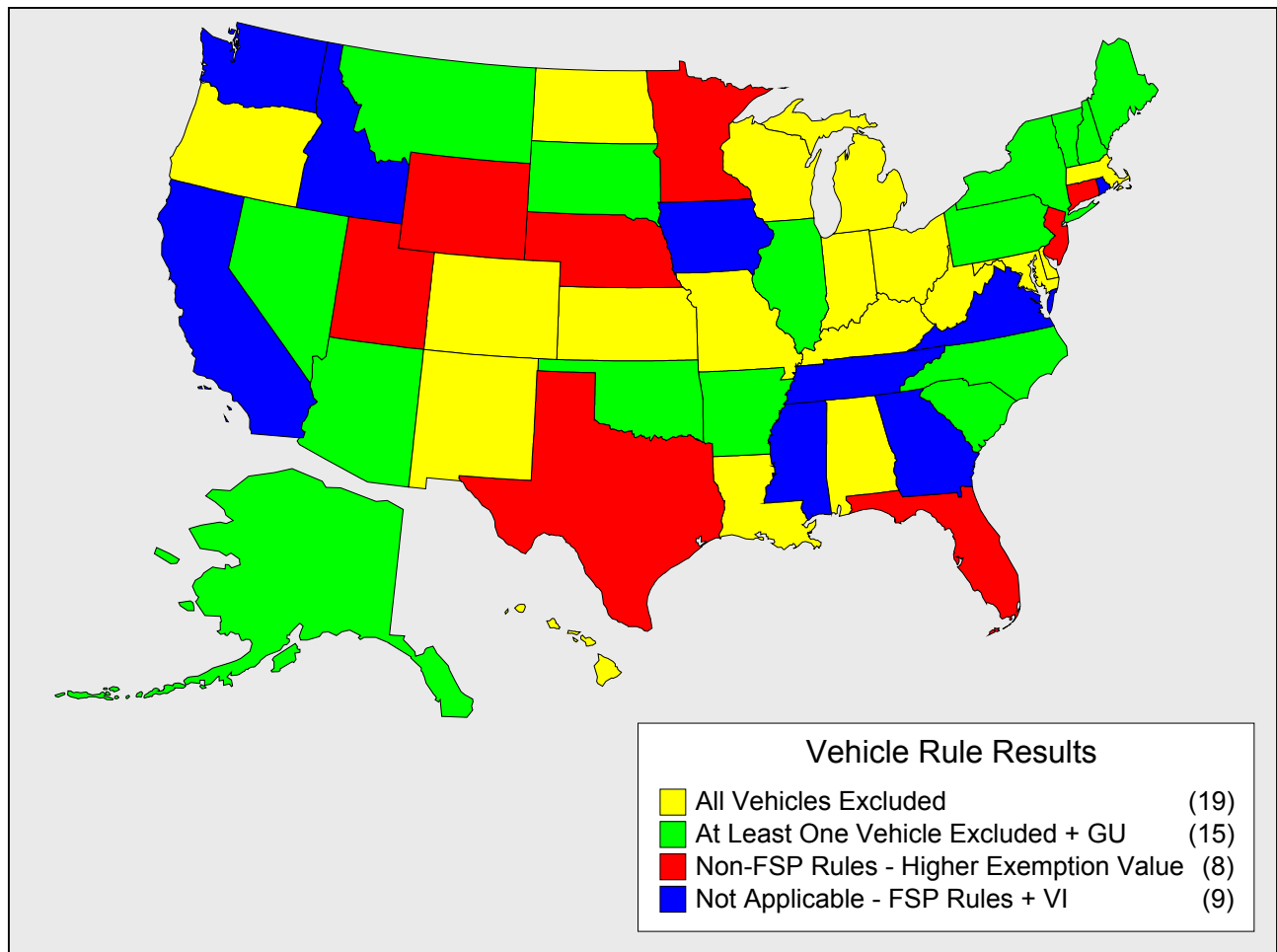
TANF Assistance Rules			TANF – MOE Categorical Eligibility	Child Care or Foster Care Rules	Food Stamp Program Rules
27			7	9	10
ALABAMA ALASKA ARIZONA ARKANSAS CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FLORIDA GUAM HAWAII	ILLINOIS KANSAS KENTUCKY LOUISIANA MARYLAND MINNESOTA MONTANA NEVADA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW JERSEY	NORTH CAROLINA OHIO OKLAHOMA PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH DAKOTA UTAH VERMONT WYOMING	DELAWARE MAINE MICHIGAN NORTH DAKOTA OREGON SOUTH CAROLINA TEXAS	COLORADO INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEBRASKA NEW MEXICO NEW YORK WEST VIRGINIA WISCONSIN	CALIFORNIA GEORGIA IDAHO IOWA MISSISSIPPI RHODE ISLAND TENNESSEE VIRGIN ISLANDS VIRGINIA WASHINGTON



## Vehicle Policy Cont.

The alternative rules used have allowed 19 States to exclude the value of all vehicles entirely. Of the remaining 24 States not using FSP rules, 16 totally exclude the value of at least one vehicle per household. The other eight exempt an amount higher than the FSP's standard auto exemption (currently set at \$4,650) from the fair market value to determine the countable resource value of a vehicle.

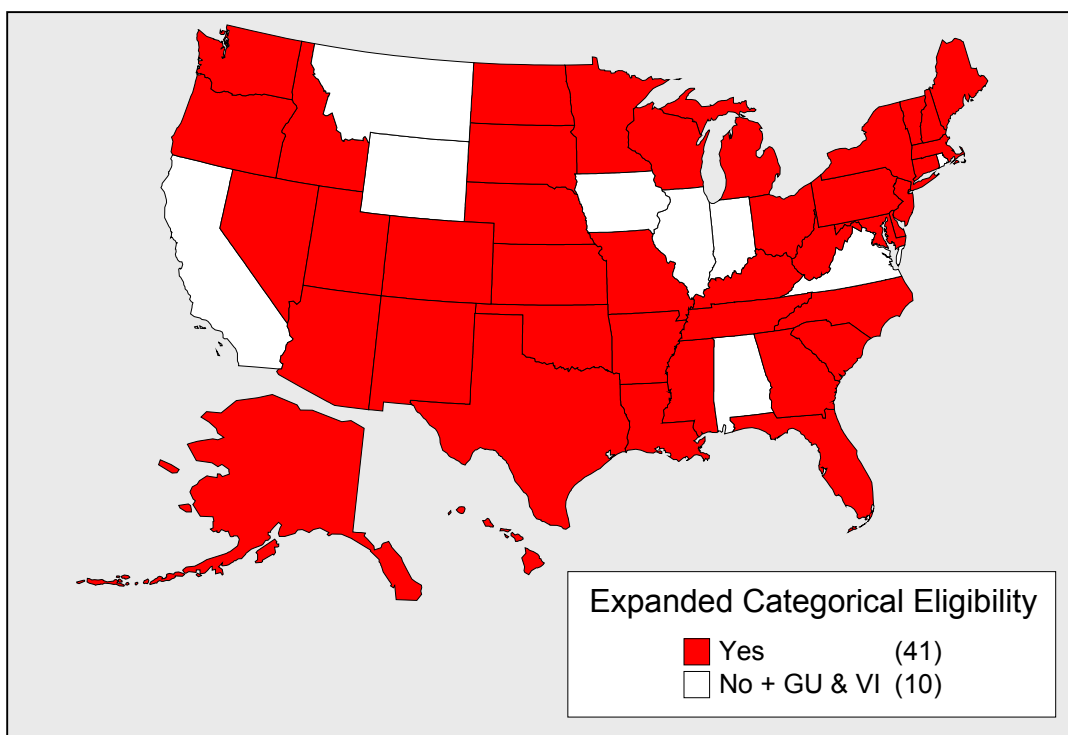
All Vehicles Excluded		At Least One Vehicle Per Household Excluded		Exemption > \$4,650
19		16		8
ALABAMA COLORADO DELAWARE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HAWAII INDIANA KANSAS KENTUCKY LOUISIANA MARYLAND	MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN MISSOURI NEW MEXICO NORTH DAKOTA OHIO OREGON WEST VIRGINIA WISCONSIN	ALASKA ARIZONA ARKANSAS GUAM ILLINOIS MAINE MONTANA NEVADA	NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA OKLAHOMA PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH CAROLINA SOUTH DAKOTA VERMONT	CONNECTICUT FLORIDA MINNESOTA NEBRASKA NEW JERSEY TEXAS UTAH WYOMING



## Expanded Categorical Eligibility

Expanding categorical eligibility for food stamp benefits is advantageous for more than dealing with vehicles. It can simplify eligibility determination by eliminating the requirement for other asset valuation and the application of the resource test. Households where all members benefit from means-tested cash assistance programs are categorically eligible for food stamps--as are those receiving means-tested non-cash benefits if the program involved is funded with over 50 percent TANF or MOE money. State agencies then have the option to expand this designation to households receiving a non-cash benefit from programs wherein less than 50 percent of the funding comes from TANF or MOE sources as long as the household's gross income does not exceed 200 percent of the poverty level. Although a majority has expanded categorical eligibility, the number of States is down to 41 from the 44 shown in the first edition of this report.

Expanded Categorical Eligibility			No Expanded Categorical Eligibility	
41			12	
ALASKA	MARYLAND	OHIO	ALABAMA	MONTANA
ARIZONA	MASSACHUSETTS	OKLAHOMA	CALIFORNIA	RHODE ISLAND
ARKANSAS	MICHIGAN	OREGON	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	VIRGIN ISLANDS
COLORADO	MINNESOTA	PENNSYLVANIA	GUAM	VIRGINIA
CONNECTICUT	MISSISSIPPI	SOUTH	ILLINOIS	WYOMING
DELAWARE	MISSOURI	CAROLINA	INDIANA	
FLORIDA	NEBRASKA	SOUTH	IOWA	
GEORGIA	NEVADA	DAKOTA		
HAWAII	NEW HAMPSHIRE	TENNESSEE		
IDAHO	NEW JERSEY	TEXAS		
KANSAS	NEW MEXICO	UTAH		
KENTUCKY	NEW YORK	VERMONT		
LOUISIANA	NORTH CAROLINA	WASHINGTON		
MAINE	NORTH DAKOTA	WEST VIRGINIA		

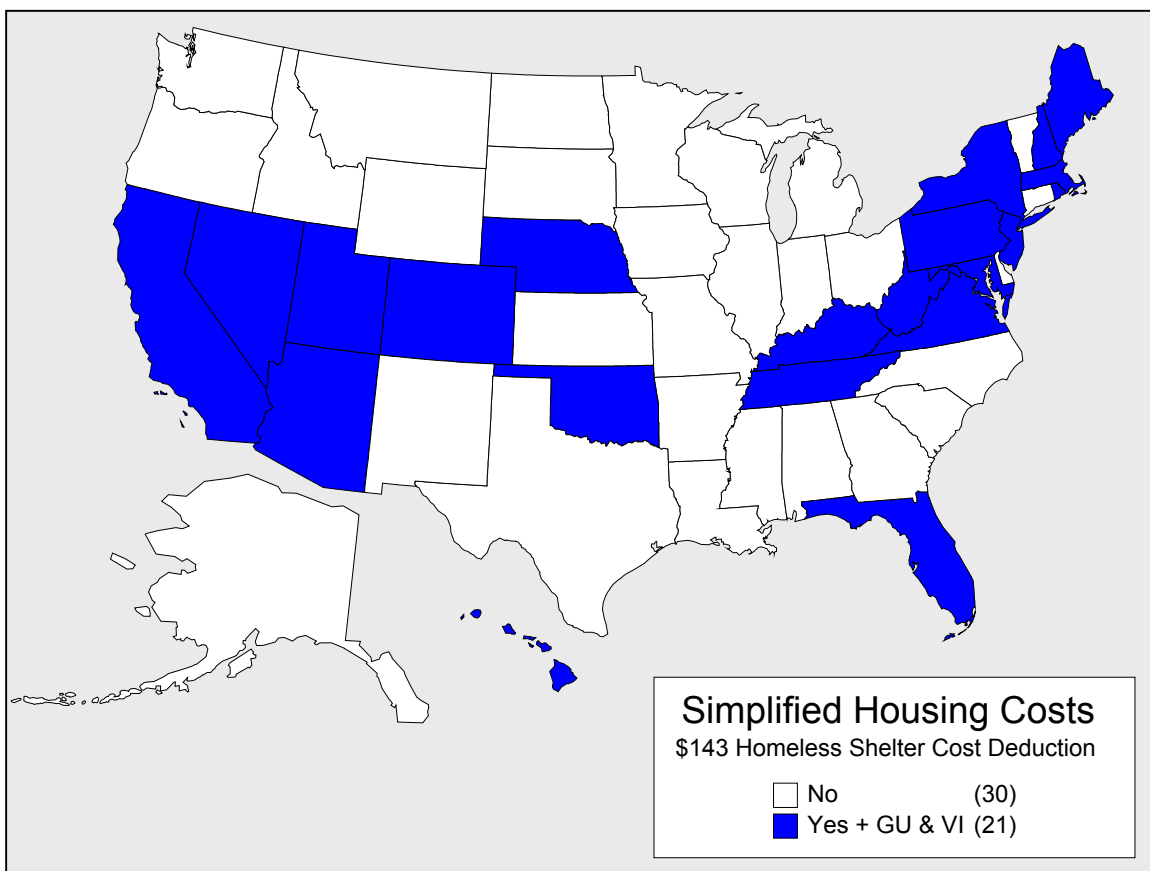




## Simplified Housing Costs (Homeless)

States have the option to use a standard deduction from income of \$143 per month for homeless households with some shelter expenses. This option makes it unnecessary for States to justify the level of the homeless shelter cost deduction and for program participants to itemize specific costs.

Simplified Housing Costs	
23	
ARIZONA	NEW HAMPSHIRE
CALIFORNIA	NEW JERSEY
COLORADO	NEW YORK
FLORIDA	OKLAHOMA
GUAM	PENNSYLVANIA
HAWAII	RHODE ISLAND
KENTUCKY	TENNESSEE
MAINE	UTAH
MARYLAND	VIRGIN ISLANDS
MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGINIA
NEBRASKA	WEST VIRGINIA
NEVADA	

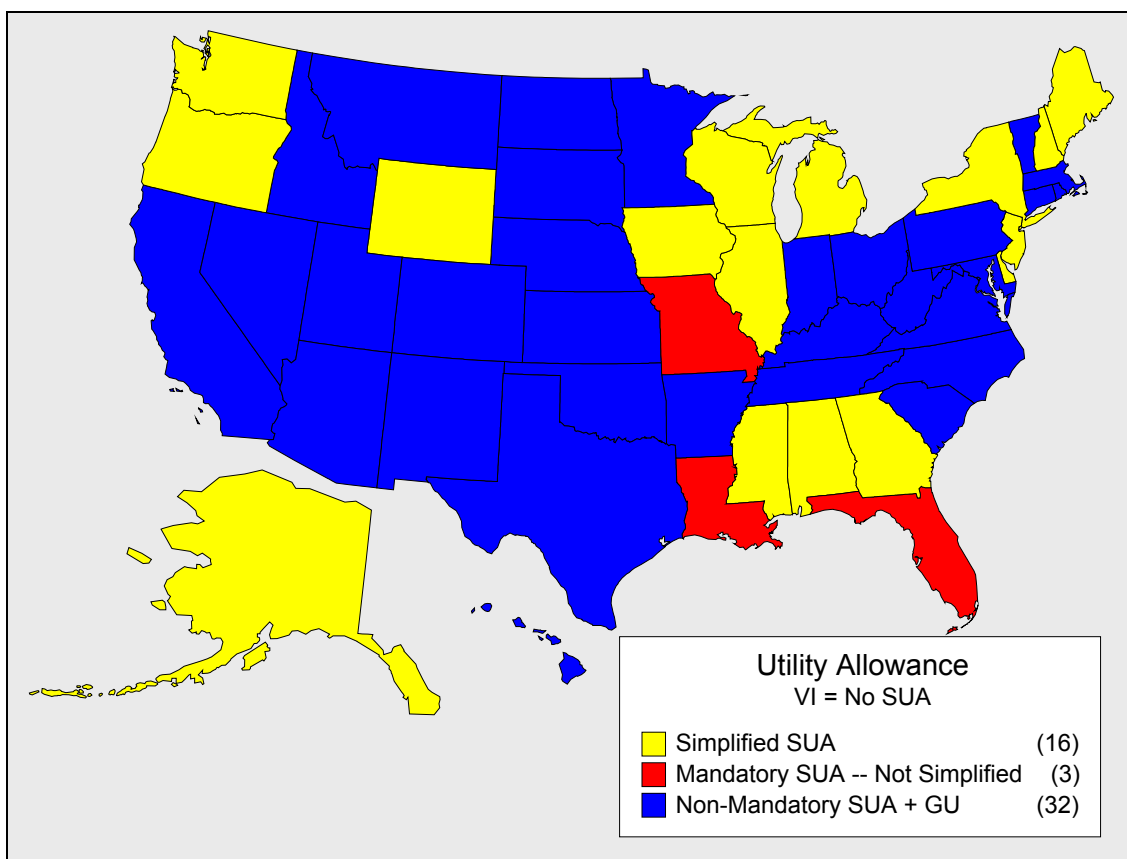




## Simplified Standard Utility Allowance (SUA)

State agencies electing to use the SUA for all households in place of actual utility costs can adopt the simplified SUA. This eliminates the requirement to prorate the SUA among households share living space, and it allows public housing residents with shared meters charged for only excess utility costs to have the benefit of the SUA as a deduction from income. All areas except the Virgin Islands use a Standard Utility Allowance. Most have not made it mandatory for all qualifying households. Of the 19 that have, 16 have taken advantage of the simplified SUA option.

Simplified SUA		Mandatory SUA – Not Simplified	SUA Not Mandatory			No SUA
16		3	33			1
ALABAMA	MISSISSIPPI	FLORIDA	ARIZONA	KENTUCKY	OKLAHOMA	VIRGIN ISLANDS
ALASKA	NEW HAMPSHIRE	LOUISIANA	ARKANSAS	MARYLAND	PENNSYLVANIA	
DELAWARE	NEW JERSEY	MISSOURI	CALIFORNIA	MASSACHUSETTS	RHODE ISLAND	
GEORGIA	NEW YORK		COLORADO	MINNESOTA	SOUTH CAROLINA	
ILLINOIS	OREGON		CONNECTICUT	MONTANA	SOUTH DAKOTA	
IOWA	WASHINGTON		DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	NEBRASKA	TENNESSEE	
MAINE	WISCONSIN		GUAM	NEVADA	TEXAS	
MICHIGAN	WYOMING		HAWAII	NEW MEXICO	UTAH	
			IDAHO	NORTH CAROLINA	VERMONT	
			INDIANA	NORTH DAKOTA	VIRGINIA	
			KANSAS	OHIO	WEST VIRGINIA	

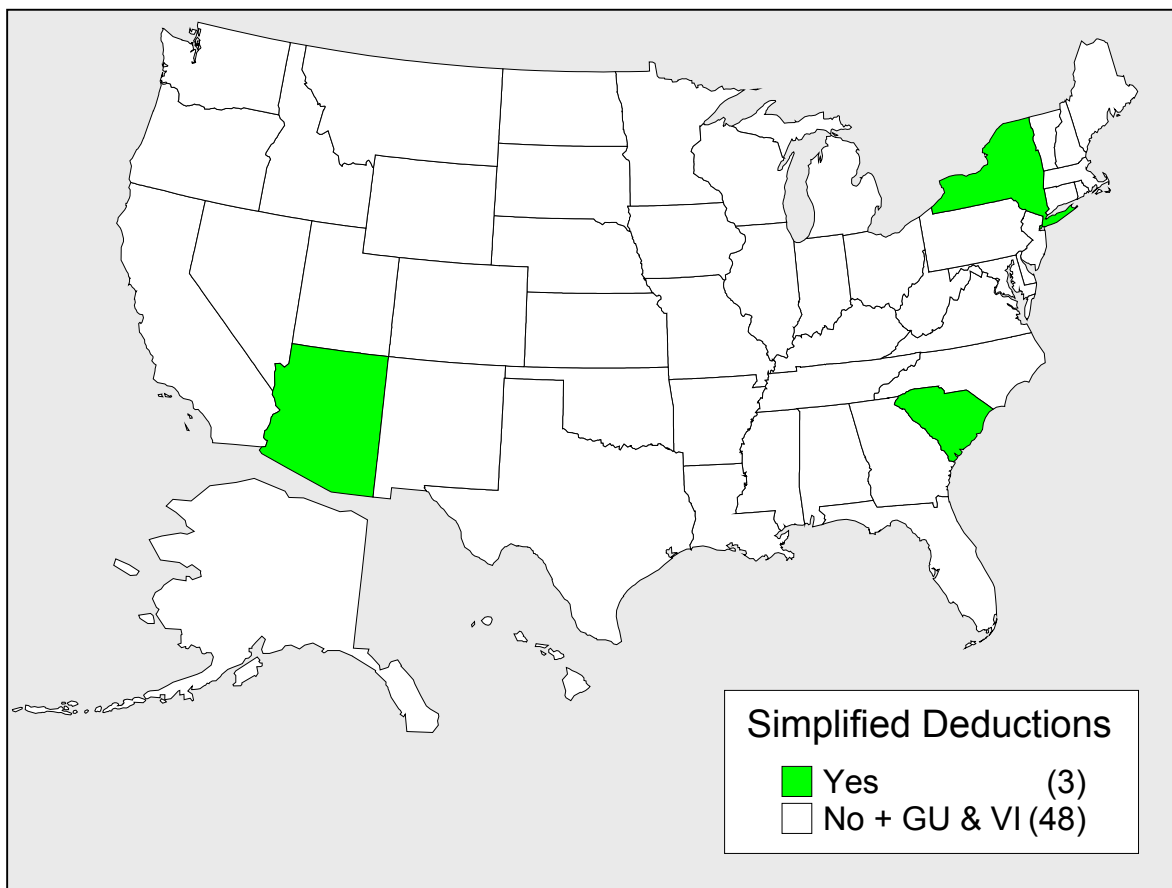




## Simplified Determination of Deductions

In order to streamline case handling procedures and lessen vulnerability to payment errors for minor discrepancies, States can elect to disregard changes in certain deduction amounts during certification periods. The deductions affected are the ones for child care expenses, child support payments made, medical expenses, and shelter costs at the same residence.

Simplified Deductions
3
ARIZONA NEW YORK SOUTH CAROLINA

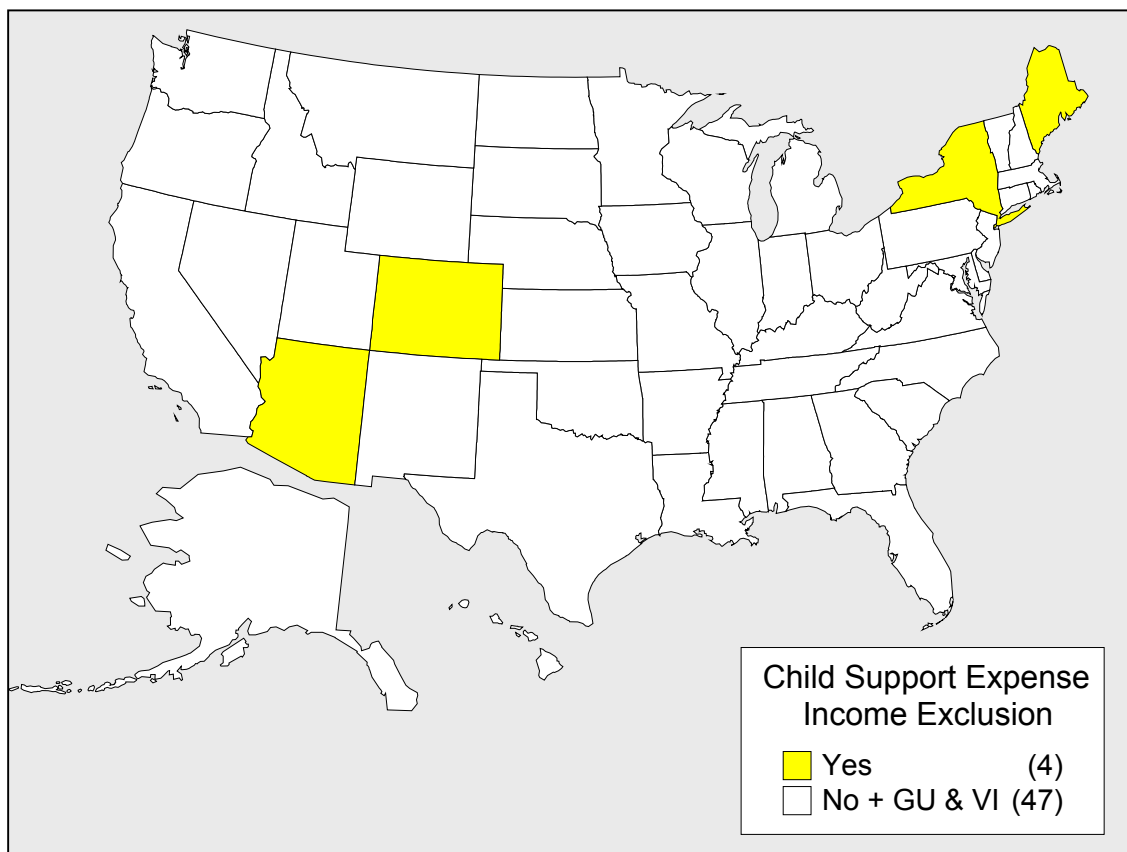


## Child Support Expense Income Exclusion

States have the option to treat legally obligated child support payments made to non-household members as an income exclusion rather than a deduction.



Child Support Expense Exclusion
4
ARIZONA COLORADO MAINE NEW YORK

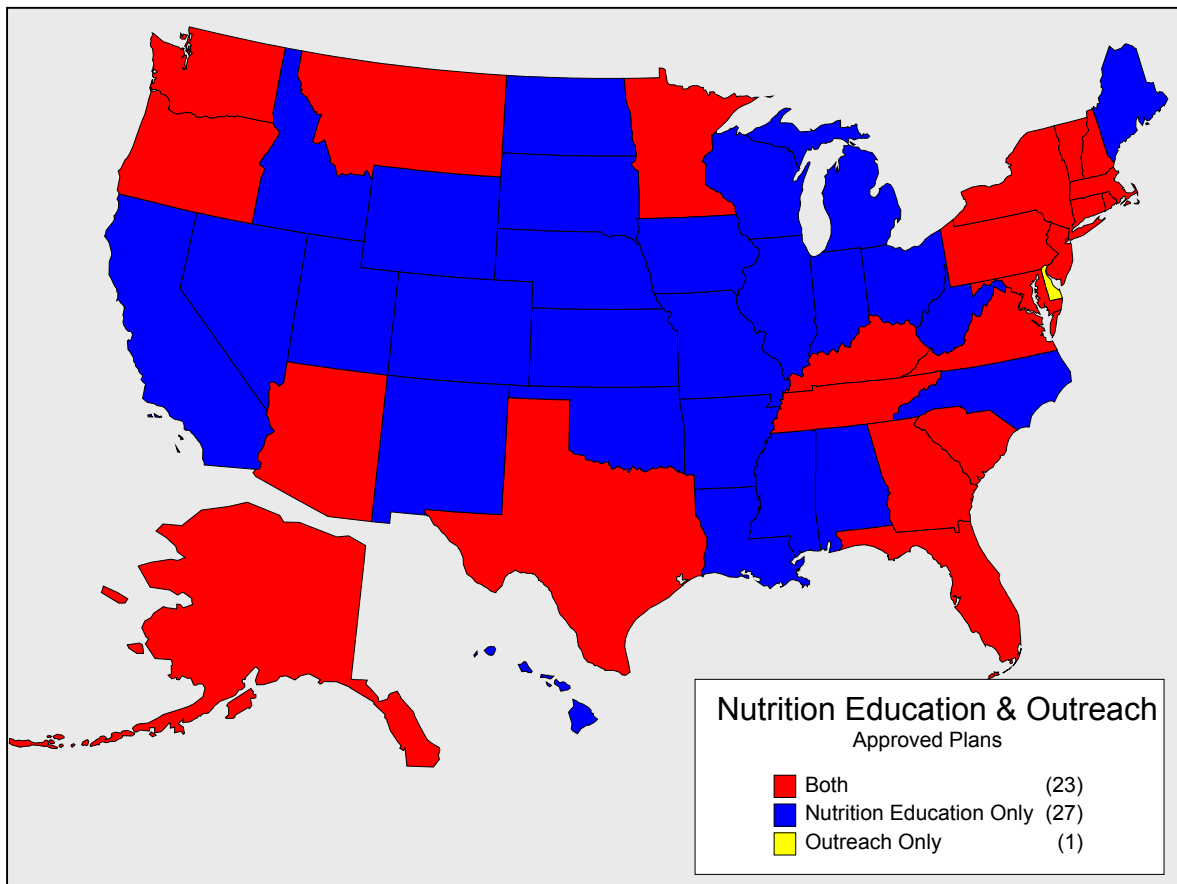




## Nutrition Education and Outreach Initiatives

FNS has approved Nutrition Education plans for all States except Delaware, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. FNS has also approved plans for Outreach activities intended to increase program participation for 24 States.

Approved Plans: Nutrition Education			Approved Plans: Outreach	
50			24	
ALABAMA	KENTUCKY	NORTH CAROLINA	ALASKA	NEW JERSEY
ALASKA	LOUISIANA	NORTH DAKOTA	ARIZONA	NEW YORK
ARIZONA	MAINE	OHIO	CONNECTICUT	OREGON
ARKANSAS	MARYLAND	OKLAHOMA	DELAWARE	PENNSYLVANIA
CALIFORNIA	MASSACHUSETTS	OREGON	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	RHODE ISLAND
COLORADO	MICHIGAN	PENNSYLVANIA	FLORIDA	SOUTH CAROLINA
CONNECTICUT	MINNESOTA	RHODE ISLAND	GEORGIA	TENNESSEE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	MISSISSIPPI	SOUTH CAROLINA	KENTUCKY	TEXAS
FLORIDA	MISSOURI	SOUTH DAKOTA	MARYLAND	VERMONT
GEORGIA	MONTANA	TENNESSEE	MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGINIA
HAWAII	NEBRASKA	TEXAS	MINNESOTA	WASHINGTON
IDAHO	NEVADA	UTAH	MONTANA	
ILLINOIS	NEW HAMPSHIRE	VERMONT	NEW HAMPSHIRE	
INDIANA	NEW JERSEY	VIRGINIA		
IOWA	NEW MEXICO	WASHINGTON		
KANSAS	NEW YORK			

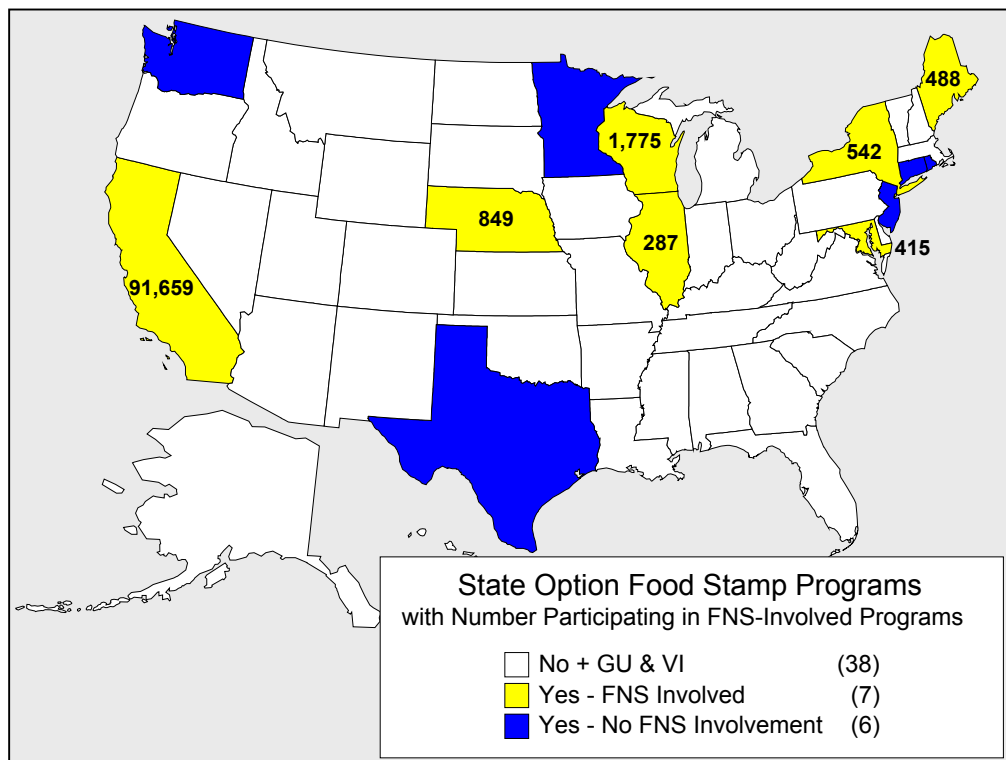


## State Option Food Stamp Program for Immigrants

The Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1997 included authority for States to purchase food stamps from the Federal government for use in a State-funded food assistance program for legal immigrants. This development was in response to the limitations on immigrant eligibility for the Federal FSP contained in the 1996 welfare reform act. States design the eligibility requirements for their programs. Some States have chosen not to purchase food stamp benefits from FNS for their program participants. They handle benefit issuance and redemption activities independently. As the different eligibility provisions for different groups of immigrants are phased in for the legislated effective dates in the Farm Bill, the State programs are expected to diminish in size. In the interim, they provide continuity in nutritional support for needy immigrant families and individuals. Once the last immigrant restoration provision goes into effect in October 2003, States may opt to continue these programs to serve legal immigrant adults ineligible for the Federal FSP during their first five years in residence.

State Option FSP with Participants Per Month*		Independent State Nutrition Assistance Programs	
7		6	
CALIFORNIA	91,659	CONNECTICUT	
ILLINOIS	287	MINNESOTA	
MAINE	488	NEW JERSEY	
MARYLAND	415	RHODE ISLAND	
NEBRASKA	849	TEXAS	
NEW YORK	542	WASHINGTON	
WISCONSIN	1,775		

\* Average from 09-02, 10-02, & 11-02 monthly counts. Note that participation depends on the scope of the State's program, e.g., New York's is at county option and serves only the immigrant elderly and victims of abuse.

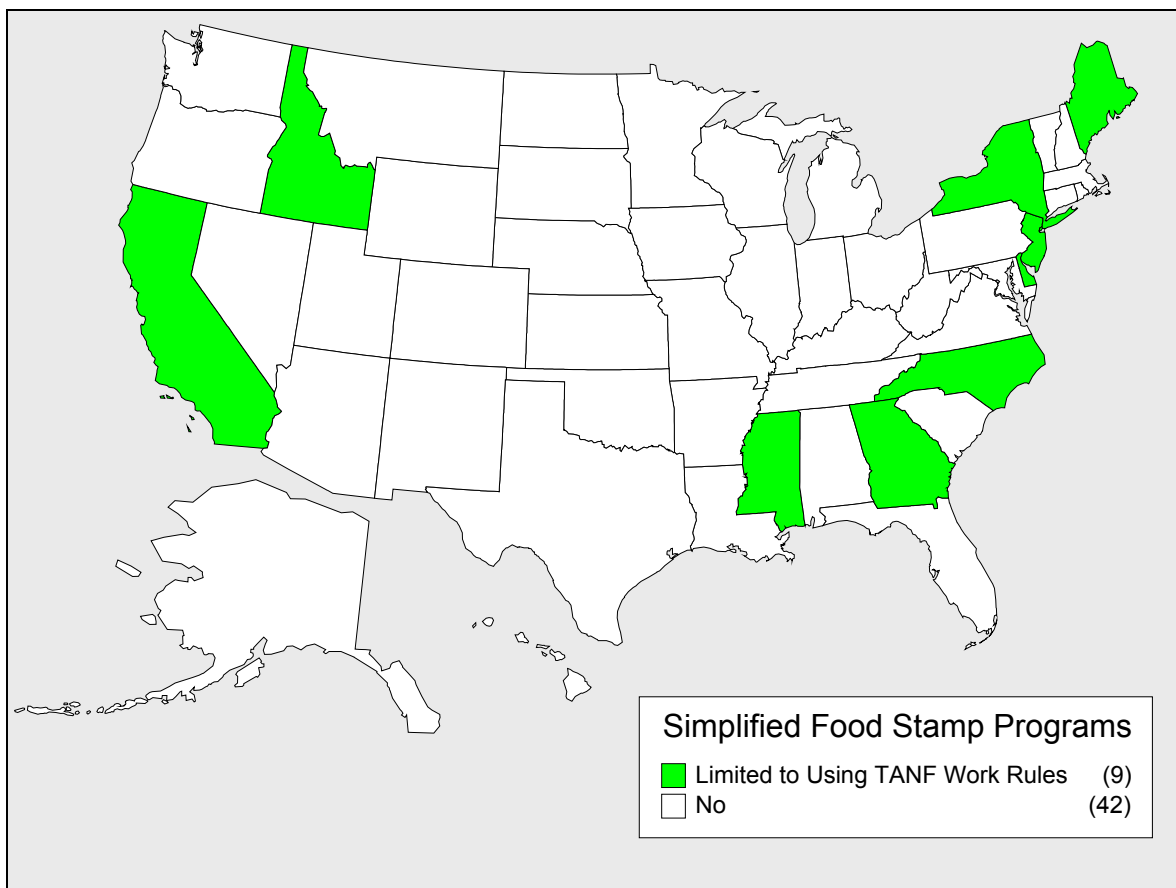


## Simplified Food Stamp Program for TANF Households

States may use TANF or FSP rules, or a combination of both, to create Simplified Food Stamp Programs for TANF households. With FNS approval, States can design Simplified Programs to include households where not all members must be TANF recipients.

Currently nine States are operating limited or “mini” Simplified Programs, which means program rules have been altered from the regular FSP in the area of work requirements only. In such programs, the value of the TANF benefit and the food stamp allotment are combined to determine a work obligation satisfying the requirements of both programs.

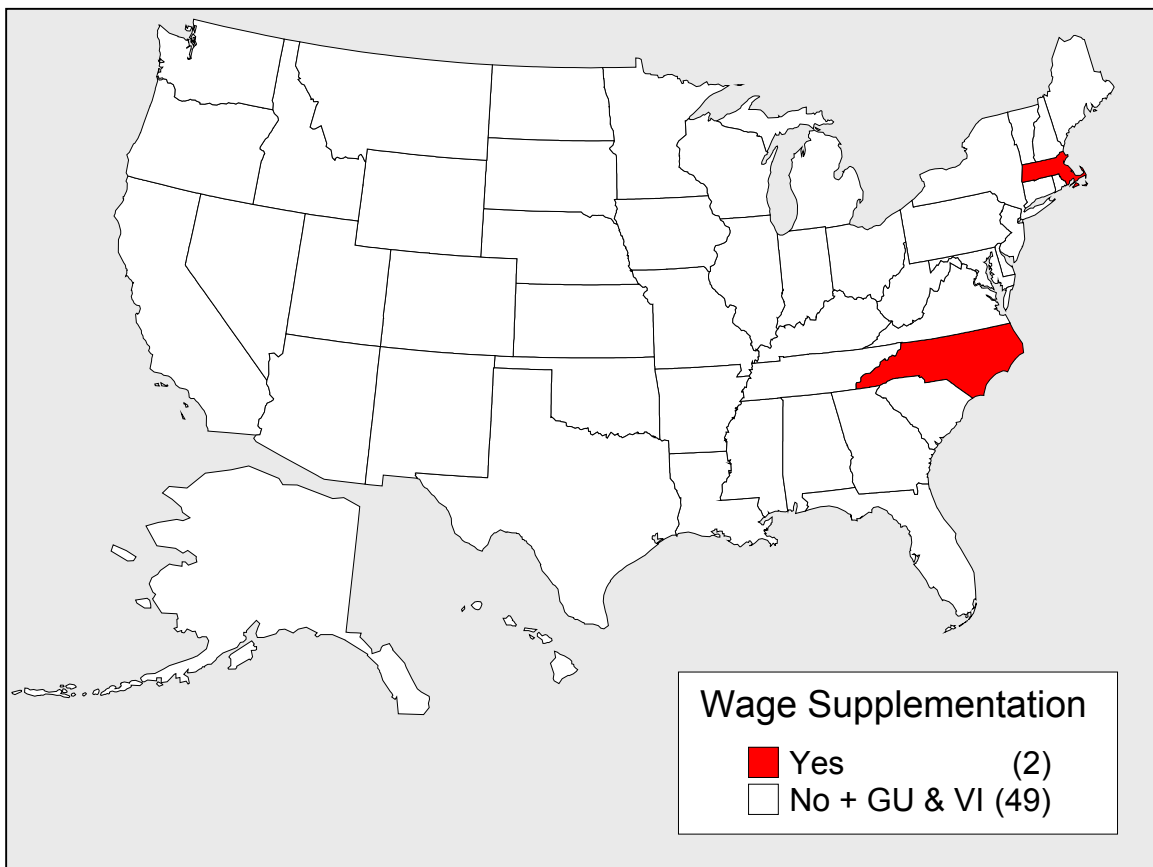
Limited Simplified Food Stamp Program
9
CALIFORNIA DELAWARE GEORGIA IDAHO MAINE MISSISSIPPI NEW JERSEY NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA



## Wage Supplementation

State agencies have the option of passing money in the amount of a food stamp recipient's benefit to an employer who must use the money to pay the recipient's wages. Currently only two States are engaging in this practice. This is down from four in the last report.

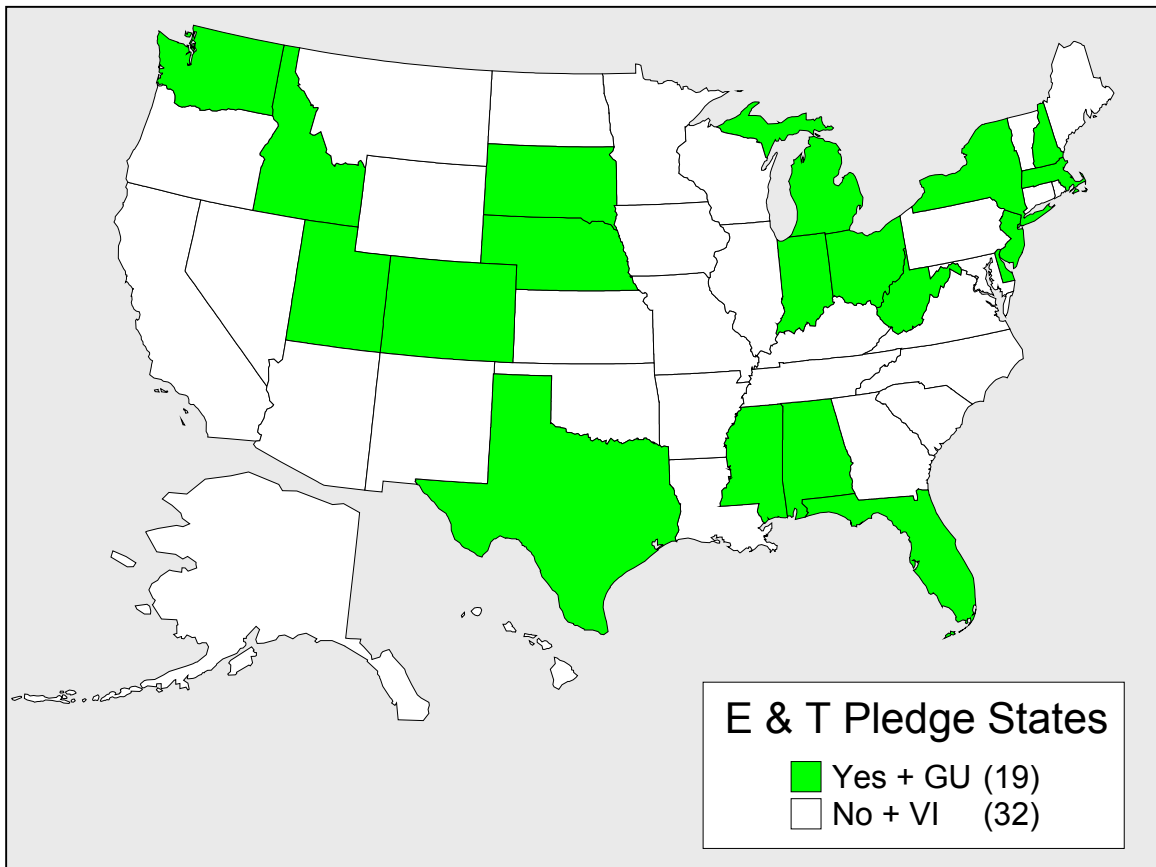
Wage Supplementation
2
MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA



## Employment & Training Pledge States

Currently 20 States have “pledged” to offer every applicant or recipient Able-Bodied Adult without Dependents (ABAWD) subject to the three-month time limit on participation a qualifying education, training, or workfare opportunity. If the client fulfills the requirements of his or her education, training, or workfare component, he or she can continue to receive benefits. Each of the 20 States receives a share of the \$20 million set aside in the Farm Bill to fund employment and training services for this population.

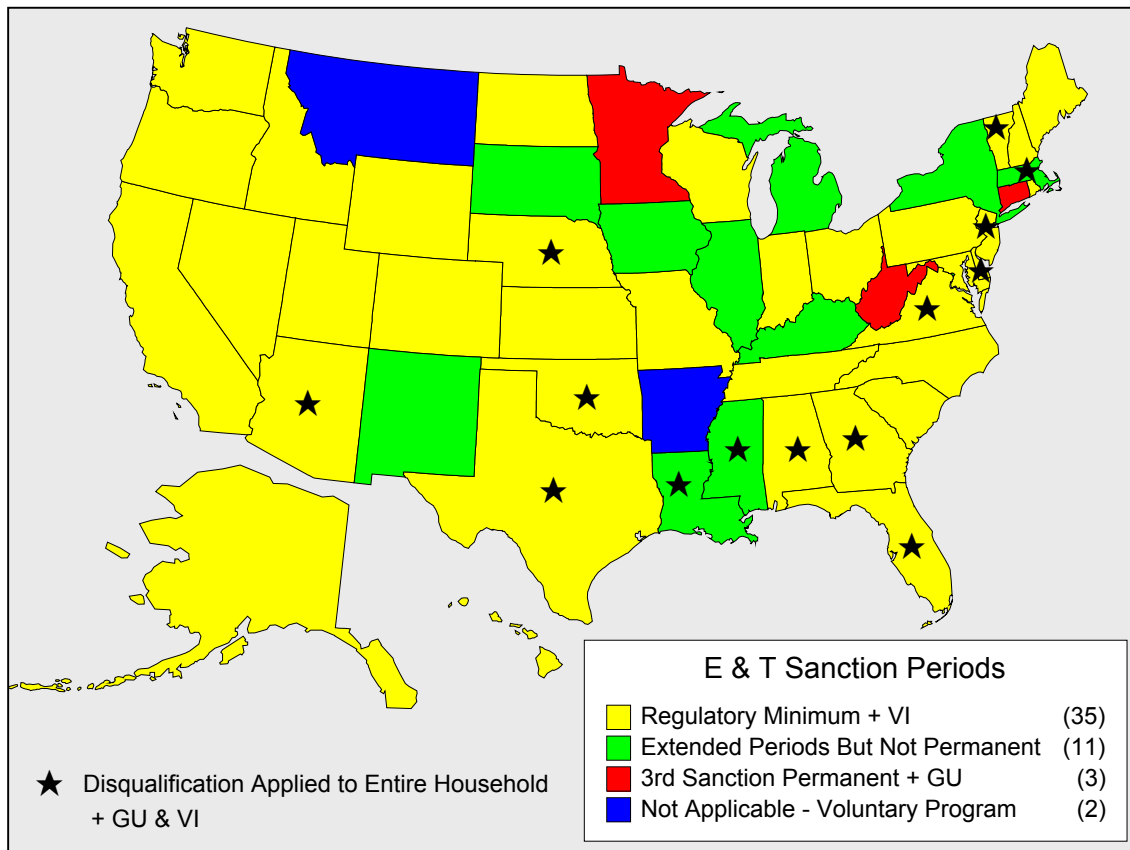
E&T Pledge States	
20	
ALABAMA	NEBRASKA
COLORADO	NEW HAMPSHIRE
DELAWARE	NEW JERSEY
FLORIDA	NEW YORK
GUAM	OHIO
IDAHO	SOUTH DAKOTA
INDIANA	TEXAS
MASSACHUSETTS	UTAH
MICHIGAN	WASHINGTON
MISSISSIPPI	WEST VIRGINIA



## Employment & Training Sanction Periods

Individuals who are required to register for work in order to receive benefits may be enrolled into a State's E&T program to receive assistance preparing for and finding employment. If they fail to participate in planned E&T activities without good cause, they are disqualified from the FSP for certain periods of time depending on how many prior instances of non-compliance there have been. The minimum periods set by law are one month for the first instance, three months for the second, and six months for the third. Food stamp policy gives States the options to 1) set disqualification periods longer than these minimum mandatory periods, 2) for the third occurrence, make the disqualification permanent, and 3) sanction the entire household whenever the head of household fails to comply with E&T program requirements. For information on the exact length of extended sanction periods in each State choosing to extend them, see the State Profiles section of this report.

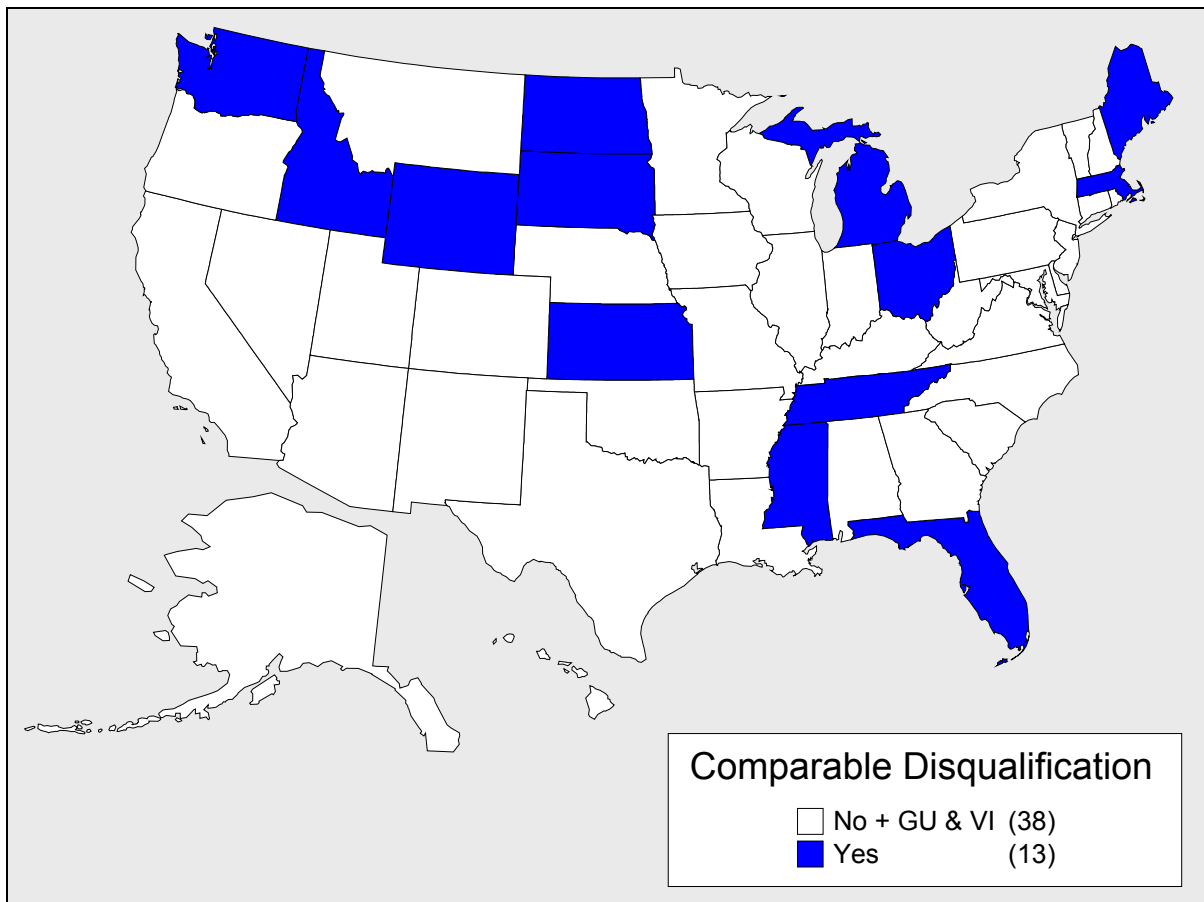
Extended E&T Sanctions		Permanent Disqualification	Entire Household Disqualification	
15		4	16	
CONNECTICUT	MICHIGAN	CONNECTICUT	ALABAMA	MISSISSIPPI
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	MINNESOTA	GUAM	ARIZONA	NEBRASKA
GUAM	MISSISSIPPI	MINNESOTA	DELAWARE	NEW JERSEY
ILLINOIS	NEW MEXICO	WEST VIRGINIA	FLORIDA	OKLAHOMA
IOWA	NEW YORK		GEORGIA	TEXAS
KENTUCKY	SOUTH DAKOTA		GUAM	VERMONT
LOUISIANA	WEST VIRGINIA		LOUISIANA	VIRGIN ISLANDS
MASSACHUSETTS			MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGINIA



## Comparable Disqualification

State agencies may disqualify food stamp applicants or recipients who fail to perform actions required by other means-tested programs, primarily TANF.

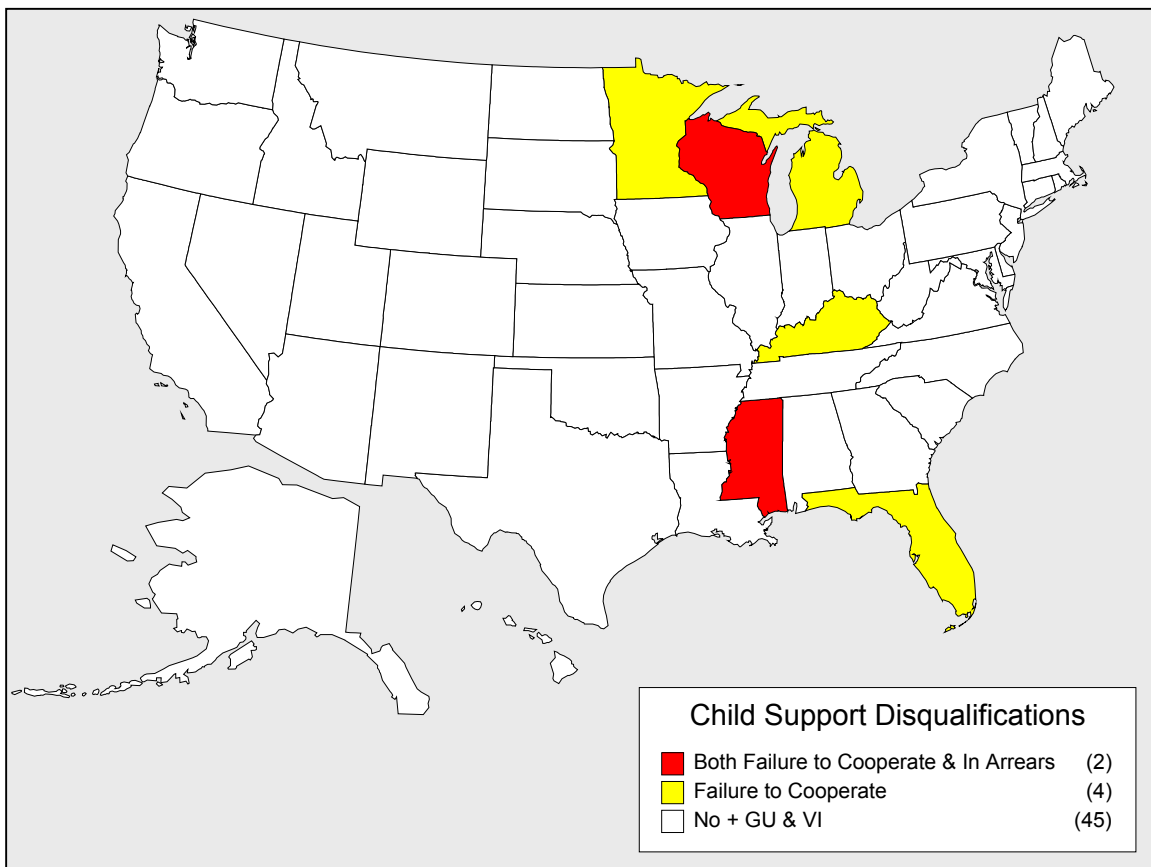
Comparable Disqualification	
13	
FLORIDA	NORTH DAKOTA
IDAHO	OHIO
KANSAS	SOUTH DAKOTA
MAINE	TENNESSEE
MASSACHUSETTS	WASHINGTON
MICHIGAN	WYOMING
MISSISSIPPI	



## Child Support-Related Disqualification

States have the option to disqualify individuals who fail to cooperate with child support enforcement agencies, who are in arrears in court-ordered child support payments, or both.

Failure to Cooperate	Arrearage
6	2
FLORIDA KENTUCKY MICHIGAN MINNESOTA MISSISSIPPI WISCONSIN	MISSISSIPPI WISCONSIN

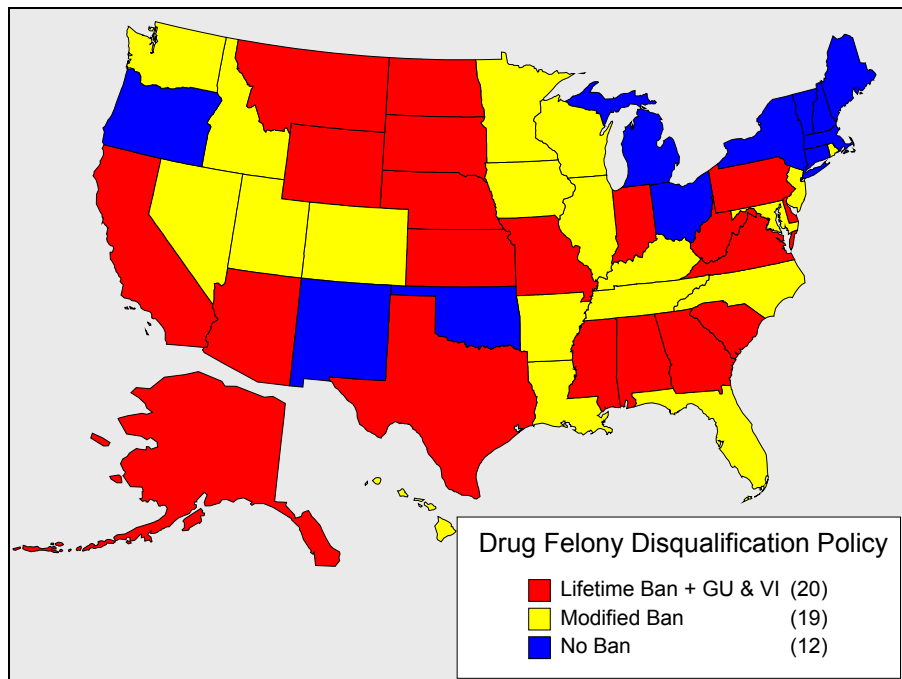












## Drug Felony Disqualification

Welfare reform legislation permanently disqualifies people from FSP participation if they have been convicted of a state or federal felony offense involving the use or sale of drugs. State legislatures can opt out of the penalty entirely or choose to impose less severe restrictions. Examples of these modified approaches are 1) limiting the circumstances in which permanent disqualification applies--such as only when convictions involve the *sale* of drugs, 2) requiring the person convicted to submit to drug testing, 3) requiring participation in a drug treatment program, and/or 4) imposing a temporary disqualification period.

Lifetime Ban	Modified Ban	No Ban
22	19	12
ALABAMA ALASKA ARIZONA CALIFORNIA DELAWARE GEORGIA GUAM INDIANA KANSAS MISSISSIPPI MISSOURI MONTANA NEBRASKA NORTH DAKOTA PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH CAROLINA SOUTH DAKOTA TEXAS VIRGIN ISLANDS VIRGINIA WEST VIRGINIA WYOMING	ARKANSAS COLORADO FLORIDA HAWAII IDAHO ILLINOIS IOWA KENTUCKY LOUISIANA MARYLAND MINNESOTA NEVADA NEW JERSEY NORTH CAROLINA RHODE ISLAND TENNESSEE UTAH WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MAINE MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW MEXICO NEW YORK OHIO OKLAHOMA OREGON VERMONT



## SUMMARY

<i>Option</i>	<i>Number of States</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting – Earned Income Households Only	12
 Simplified (Reduced) Reporting – Expanded to Other Households	13
Quarterly Reporting	4
Monthly Reporting	10
Status Reporting Waiver	19
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	2
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	17
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	9
No Reporting Waivers	16
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	5
 Transitional Benefits	6
 Simplified Definition of Income	11
 Simplified Definition of Resources	9
Vehicle Rules: FSP	10
Vehicle Rules: TANF Assistance	27
Vehicle Rules: Child Care or Foster Care	9
Vehicle Rules: TANF-MOE Categorical Eligibility	7
Vehicle Rules: Excludes All Vehicles	19
Vehicle Rules: Not All – But At Least One Vehicle Excluded	16
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	41
 Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	23
Standard Utility Allowance	52
Mandatory Standard Utility Allowance	19
 Simplified Utility Allowance	16
 Simplified Deductions	3
 Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	4
Nutrition Education Plan	50
Outreach Plan	24
State Option Food Stamp Program – Purchase of FNS Benefits	7
Independent State Food Stamp Program	6
Limited Simplified Food Stamp Program	9
Wage Supplementation	2
E&T Pledge State	20
Extended E&T Sanction Periods	15
E&T Permanent Disqualification	4
E&T Household Disqualification	16
Comparable Disqualification	13
Child Support Disqualification: Failure to Cooperate	4
Child Support Disqualification: Arrearage	0
Child Support Disqualification: Both	2
Drug Felony Disqualification: Lifetime Ban	22
Drug Felony Disqualification: Modified Ban	19
Drug Felony Disqualification: No Ban	12

# **SECTION TWO:**

## **STATE PROFILES**

ALABAMA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	Yes
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules:	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

ALASKA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

ARIZONA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

ARKANSAS	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	Yes
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	Not Applicable
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

CALIFORNIA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

COLORADO	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

CONNECTICUT	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

DELAWARE	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	No
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

FLORIDA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban



<b>GEORGIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

<b>GUAM</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	No
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

HAWAII	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

IDAHO	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

ILLINOIS	
	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	Yes
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

INDIANA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

IOWA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

KANSAS	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

<b>KENTUCKY</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

<b>LOUISIANA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

MAINE	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

MARYLAND	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

MASSACHUSETTS	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	Yes
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

MICHIGAN	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-6-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

MINNESOTA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

MISSISSIPPI	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Both
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban



MISSOURI	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

MONTANA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	Not Applicable
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

NEBRASKA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

NEVADA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

NEW HAMPSHIRE	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

NEW JERSEY	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

NEW MEXICO	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	Yes
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

NEW YORK	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Foster Care – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

NORTH CAROLINA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	Yes
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

NORTH DAKOTA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

OHIO	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

OKLAHOMA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

OREGON	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

PENNSYLVANIA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

RHODE ISLAND	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

SOUTH CAROLINA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban



SOUTH DAKOTA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

TENNESSEE	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

TEXAS	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

UTAH	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

VERMONT	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban

VIRGIN ISLANDS	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	Yes
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	No
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

VIRGINIA	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

WASHINGTON	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

WEST VIRGINIA	
<i>Option</i>	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	No
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	3-3-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban

WISCONSIN	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Both
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban

WYOMING	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting Waiver	Yes
5-Hour Reporting Waiver	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting Waiver – Unearned Income	No
Unearned Income Averaging Waiver	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban